(b) if so, the details of the above posts;

(c) the reaction of the Ministry of Finance on the above said proposal; and

(d) the burden likely to be caused to Government revenue as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI): (a) to (d) The Group of Ministers on Reforming National Security had made several recommendations for strengthening the interanal security in the country. The Ministry of Home Affairs had proposed creation of 94 posts for this purpose. The Ministry of Finance has, however, accepted, in principle, the justification for creation of 65 posts subject to the condition that 45 of these 65 posts may be located from the existing strength of the Ministry through re-deployment. The details of the number of posts to be created are yet to be finalised. The estimated expenditure involved will depend on the number of posts finally approved for creation.

Truck drivers challaned for rash driving

5162. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem appearing in the Delhi Age dated 25th April, 2002 under the heading police-truckers nexus proves a road hazard';

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and Government's reaction in regard thereto; and

(c) what is the number of truck drivers challaned for rash driving during the last six months?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) It has been alleged in the news report under reference that truck drivers openly flout traffic norms particularly at night because of their nexus with the police to whom they make monthly

payments. The allegation in regard to the nexus with the police is speculative in nature and devoid of any specifies. On the other hand, Delhi Traffic Police regularly prosecutes the truck drivers found to be violating traffic rules. During the last six months alone, 4100 truck drivers were prosecuted for rash and negligent driving in Delhi.

Land grabing at Sonepat, Haryana

5163. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations during August, 2001 about grabing of Yoga Ashram Land by unscrupulous followers which was founded/maintained by later Yogeshwar Devi Dayal Ji Maharaj at Sonepat, Haryana;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the action taken by Government in the matter of apprehending the culprits involved; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (d) A letter from Choudhary Prem Singh, Speaker, Delhi Vidhan Sabha addressed to the Home Minister was received in August, 2001 about grabing of Yoga Ashram Land founded and maintained by Late Yogeshwar Devi Dayal Ji Maharaj at Sonepat, Haryana by some persons.

The matter was referred to the Government of Haryana for investigating the matter. The Government of Haryana has informed that criminal case (No. 175 dated 10.6.2001) has been registered under Section 148/149/160/506/427/452/ IPC at Police Station, Sonepat on the basis of information received from Shri Yogesh S/o Shri Suraj Prakash Sharma, resident of Yogabhyas Ashram, Sonepat. Ten persons have been arrested and charge sheeted on 31.07.2001. The matter is subjudice.